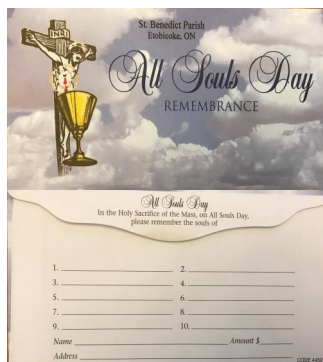


## November: A Month Traditionally Dedicated to Praying for the Dead

November is a month traditionally dedicated to intentionally praying for the dead. This presents us with the opportunity to reflect on a beautiful Catholic teaching, the teaching on Purgatory, which is really the mercy of God in action. If there was no such thing as purgatory, there would be only two options for us after death: heaven and hell. And if you have to be perfect to enter the presence of God, we would all be in trouble! Thank God for the possibility of Purgatory. While it's true that the souls in Purgatory are on their way to union with God, they depend on our prayers. Part of the joy of belonging to the Church is the privilege of helping the Holy Souls to enter heaven. Our prayers assist the Holy Souls. And why not be interested in this? Most likely we will be among those holy souls some day!

In front of the altar at our parish, is a basket for the special All Souls remembrance envelopes. These envelopes are found in your boxed envelopes and at the main church entrance and in the pews. Parishioners are invited to write the names of their loved ones and leave it in the basket. You may compete these at any time during the month. Our beloved dead will be remembered at every Mass throughout November.



## From His Grace Most Reverend Francis Leo on Praying for the Souls of the Faithful Departed

While death is inevitable, God gives us something which death cannot touch - His divine life and sustaining power. During the month of November, I invite everyone to earnestly pray for the dead, to be attuned to God's mercy benefitting from the sacrament of Confession, and to be attentive and rejoice in the great inheritance given us by our loving father.

## I love my Catholic Moms Group

LOVE. LAUGHTER. MOMENTS OF GRACE



### St. Benedict Mother's Group meeting

Wed. Nov 12, 2025  
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
St. Benedict Parish Hall

Topic: Purgatory

November: month of the saints!

Let's have some fun ... dress up as your favourite saint - we'll all vote for the best dressed one!



# MARY: BEARER OF THE PROMISE

## Pre-Advent RETREAT

GUIDED BY:  
FR PIERRE FARRUGIA OFM

**DAYS SCHEDULE:**

8:30 AM - Registration & Welcome (Coffee/Tea)  
9:00 AM - Introductory Prayer & Marian Hymn

9:15 AM - Talks / Meditations:  
"The Promise Foretold: Mary in the Prophets"  
"Mary, the Living Ark of the Covenant"  
"God's Faithfulness in My Waiting"

9:50 AM - Audio Visual Presentation  
10:30 AM - Coffee Break & Group Discussion  
12:00 PM - Fraternal Lunch (Provided)  
1:00 PM - Eucharistic Adoration, Meditated Rosary & Benediction  
2:00 PM - Quiet Prayer & Sacrament of Reconciliation  
4:00 PM - Vigil Mass - 33rd Sunday of Ordinary time, Year C  
5:00 PM - Departure

**Saint Francis Centre**  
**16.11.2025**  
208501, Highway 9, Mono - L7K0A8

**PRACTICAL INFORMATION**

- Please bring indoor shoes
- Notify us of any dietary restrictions
- Suggested: bring a journal or rosary
- Retreat includes talks, prayer, and fellowship
- RESERVE ASAP

Cost: \$40 (all inclusive)  
Reserve: 519-941-1747  
Limited seats available

## THE VISITATION

Friday November 14  
7:00 pm

St. Benedict Church

Come with your family.

Invite friends.

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month  
from October - May

Inquires: email to  
[salesianym.toronto@gmail.com](mailto:salesianym.toronto@gmail.com)

For the most recent update, follow:  
Instagram @salesianym\_toronto



## Adorers Needed. Why not You?

Here at St. Benedict Church, we are blessed to have a Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. Everyone is welcome to drop in for a short visit or to commit for a weekly hour of adoration. Will you sign up to spend one hour with Jesus in our Eucharistic Adoration Chapel?

Interested parishioners contact

Teresa: 416-743-5338





## Sunday November 9, 2025 - Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

### SUNDAY MISSAL

2024 - 2025



Living with Christ

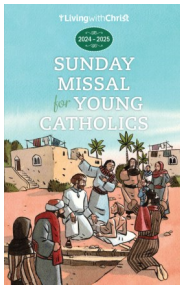
### SUNDAY MISSALS ON SALE AFTER ALL MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

**\$5.50 ADULTS \$10.00 YOUTH**

**NOVEMBER 15 & 16**

The liturgical year ends with the Feast of Christ the King later in November and the new church year begins with Advent. **You'll need a new missal for the start of Advent: Nov 29/Nov 30.**

The Sunday Missal is intended to be a tool used at home to prepare for the weekly Sunday Mass. Parishioners are encouraged to purchase a missal for themselves for personal prayer during the week by reading and reflecting on the gospel and readings for the upcoming Sunday. This prayer style better prepares us to listen to God's Word as it is proclaimed on Sunday.



## The Shepherds' Trust

Caring for those who always cared for us

**The Shepherds' Trust collection will take place  
in all parishes in the Archdiocese.  
November 15 & 16**

There will be a second collection next weekend, for The Shepherds' Trust. The Shepherds' Trust supports the needs of the retired diocesan clergy of the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served our family of faith, bringing us the sacraments and enriching our parishes, homes, schools, hospitals and countless other gatherings through their ministry. The Trust was started by lay people who recognized the needs of our retired priests and helped to establish the Trust as a reflection of the gratitude and appreciation of the faithful parishioners in our Archdiocese.

**To Donate:** Special envelopes are in the pews. Sunday envelope users kindly enter your envelope number in the space indicated OR visit [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org) & click on DONATE.

*Please consider remembering The Shepherds' Trust in your will.*

Thank you for your support and generosity!

**EVERY 3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY**  
**SPECIAL PRAYER SERVICE**  
**FOR THE SICK & SUFFERING**  
CANCER PATIENTS/SURVIVORS & TERMINALLY ILL  
**10:30AM-12:30PM**  
**HOLY MASS & ADORATION**  
**69 WILLIAM ST, TORONTO, ON M9N 2G6**  
[WWW.DIVINERETREATCENTRETORONTO.ORG](http://WWW.DIVINERETREATCENTRETORONTO.ORG)

### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

To request a mass intention, contact the parish office:  
[office@stbenedicts.ca](mailto:office@stbenedicts.ca) / 416-743-3830 X0

#### Monday, November 10

8:00am Orsola, Nazzareno & Gregorio Costa by Anna Costa & family

#### Tuesday, November 11

8:00am Gennaro & Joe Di Palma by family

7:30pm Owen Doherty by Vera Doherty & family

#### Wednesday, November 12

8:00am Patrick J. Curtis by Maureen Curtis

#### Thursday, November 13

8:00am Ansisar Valdez by Maria

#### Friday, November 14

8:00am Fr. Gerard Breen by Salesians of Don Bosco

#### Saturday, November 15

8:00am Ernesto Mazzi by Sala family

5:00pm Leonardo Mannarelli by Daughter

#### Sunday, November 16

8:00am Bernadette McMenamy by McMenamy family

9:30am Alberto Rossi by Maria Rossi (Ital/Ch)

9:30am Deceased members of the Selitto & Capone families  
by Giuseppina Sellitto (Eng/Hall)

11:00am For the People

12:45pm Maria & Piotr Wojdat by Marcelli family

### Pray for the Sick

Kindly remember the following people in your prayers:

Mary Lynne Gallagher, Lidia Scaccia, Cathy Proietti,  
Vincent Sguassero, Alessio Firreira, Steve Cawthorne,  
Assunta Di Felice, Leona Bradbury, Pasqualina Soscia  
& David Bacchus



Parishioners wishing prayer from our parish family are  
asked to contact the parish office: 416-743-3830 X0

### 2026 SUNDAY ENVELOPES NOW AVAILABLE & SORTED IN NUMERICAL ORDER.

Please pick up your boxed set as soon as possible in the Church **this weekend after all masses**. The use of these envelopes is an excellent way of supporting your parish on a regular basis and also ensures that a receipt for tax purposes is available at the end of the year.

**Do NOT use these new envelopes until the New Year.**  
**In January 2026, ALL remaining envelopes from 2025  
and prior years should be DISCARDED.**

Kindly contact the parish office,  
if your boxed set is not available.

### Last Week's Collection

**Sunday Offering (envs & loose only): \$8,899**

**All Souls' (envs & loose only): \$6,318**

**Thank you for your ongoing generous support!**